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SUBJ: MAY 7 CADRE SCHOOLS AGAIN TO THE FORE

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1. A PAIR OF PEOPLE'S DAILY ARTICLES IN THE PAST MONTH
HAVE EMPHASIZED THE NEED TO CONTINUE THE SYSTEM OF MAY 7
CADRE SCHOOLS. BOTH ARTICLES CRITICIZE THE TENDENCY TO
REGARD THE SCHOOLS AS A TEMPORARY PHENOMENON DESIGNED TO
CARRY OUT A ONE-TIME IDEOLOGICAL RECTIFICATION OF CADRES
AND OFFICE WORKERS. INSTEAD, THE ARTICLE POINT OUT,
THERE IS A CONSTANT NEED TO PREVENT THE RESURGENCE OF THE
REVISIONIST LINE, AND THE MAY 7 SCHOOL METHOD OF COMBINING
MANUAL LABOR WITH THEORETICAL STUDY INSTITUTED DURING THE
CULTURAL REVOLUTION IS PORTAYED AS AN EFFECTIVE MEANS
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OF PRESERVING IDEOLOGICAL PURITY.

2. THE MORE RECENT ARTICLE ON NOVEMBER 3 REPORTING THE EXPERIENCE OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE GENERAL OFFICE'S OWN CADRE SHCOOL, ALSO TAKES PAINS TO REPUDIATE THE TENDENCY TO CONCENTRATE ON STUDY WHILE REDUCING MANUAL LABOR TO A SYMBOLIC TOKEN. IT DESCRIBES THE SCHOOL'S EXPERIENCE AS A RETURN TO THE YENAN SPRIT, WHICH, THE ARTICLE STATES, HAS BEEN NEGLECTED SINCE THE COMMUNIST PARTY CAME TO POWER.

3. COMMENT: WHILE THIS RENEWED ATTENTION TO MAY 7 SCHOOLS DOES NOT SEEM TO HERLD ANY NEW DEPARTURE IN POLICY, IT MAY REFLECT THE REGIME'S CONCERN THAT LEADING CADRES ARE SIMPLY NOT UP TO THE HARD WORK THAT WILL BE REQUIRED TO MOBILIZE THE CHINESE PEOPLE FOR THE IMMINENT AGRICULTURAL AND ECONOMIC DRIVE. RECENT COMMENTARIES ON THE TACHAI CAMPAIGN HAVE INCLUDED CRITICISM OF CADRES FOR THEIR "LAXINESS" AND "SOFTNESS" AND FOR BEING AFRAID TO RISK UNPOPULARITY BY CHALLENGING TRADITIONAL WAYS OF DOING THINGS. USE OF THE MAY 7 CADRE SCHOOLS MAY THUS BE PART OF THE "IDEOLOGICAL RECTIFICATION" STRESSED BY HUA KUO-FENG AS A HIGH PRIORITY IN LEARNING FROM TACHAI (REFTEL).
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